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ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND OTHER ORGANIZATIONAL MATTERS

BASIC PROGRAMME OF WORK OF THE COUNCIL

Draft proposals submitted by the President and members of the Bureau on the basis of informal consultations held pursuant to paragraph 2 (1) of Council resolution 1988/77

DRAFT DECISION I

High-level segment of the Economic and Social Council of 1993

The Economic and Social Council, recalling General Assembly resolution 47/92, decides:

(a) That the high-level segment of the Council of 1993 shall be devoted to the consideration of the following major theme:

(b) That, without prejudice to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 45/264, the high-level segment with ministerial participation for 1993 shall be held from 28 to 30 June.

DRAFT DECISION II

Coordination segment of the Economic and Social Council of 1993

The Economic and Social Council, reaffirming the provisions of section III, paragraphs (a) to (e), of its decision 1992/217, decides that the coordination segment shall be devoted to consideration of the following themes:

DRAFT DECISION III

Proposed provisional agenda for the substantive session of 1993 (28 June-30 July 1993)

The Economic and Social Council, having considered the proposed programme of work for 1993 and 1994, 1/ approves the following provisional agenda for its high-level segment of 1993:

1. Adoption of the agenda.

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3. Conclusion of the high-level segment.

The Council also approves the following provisional agenda with regard to its other segments:

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

2. Coordination of the policies and activities of the specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system related to the following themes:

3. Operational activities for development.

4. Coordination questions:

   (a) Reports of the coordination bodies;

   (b) Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations;

   (c) International cooperation in the field of informatics;

   (d) Question of a United Nations year for tolerance.

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5. Programme and related questions:

   (a) Proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995;

   (b) Calendar of conferences.

6. Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance:

   (a) Special programmes of economic assistance;

   (b) Humanitarian assistance.

7. International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction.

8. Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster.

9. Sustainable development.

10. Non-governmental organizations.

11. United Nations University.

12. Statistical and cartographic questions:

   (a) Statistics;

   (b) Cartography.

13. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

14. Regional cooperation.

15. Development and international economic cooperation:

   (a) Trade and development;

   (b) Food and agricultural development;

   (c) Science and technology for development;

   (d) Transnational corporations;

   (e) Natural resources;

   (f) Population questions;

   (g) Human settlements;

   (h) Environment;

(i) Desertification and drought;

(j) Transport of dangerous goods;

(k) Effective mobilization and integration of women in development;

(l) World Decade for Cultural Development;

(m) Economic and technical cooperation among developing countries;

(n) Prevention and control of acquired immune deficiency syndrome (AIDS).

16. Permanent sovereignty over national resources in the occupied Palestinian and other Arab territories.

17. Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Second Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination.

18. Human rights questions.

19. Advancement of women.

20. Social development.

21. Narcotic drugs.

Reports brought to the attention of the Council

Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit

The Council approves the following allocation of items:

Items for consideration in plenary meetings

1. Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters.

Coordination segment

2. Coordination of the policies and activities of the specialized agencies and other bodies of the United Nations system related to the following themes:

Operational activities segment

3. Operational activities for development.

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4. Coordination questions.

5. Programme and related questions.

6. Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance.

7. International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction.

8. Strengthening of international cooperation and coordination of efforts to study, mitigate and minimize the consequences of the Chernobyl disaster.

9. Sustainable development.

10. Non-governmental organizations.

11. United Nations University.

12. Statistical and cartographic questions.

13. Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees.

Items for consideration by the Economic Committee

14. Regional cooperation.

15. Development and international economic cooperation.

16. Permanent sovereignty over national resources in the occupied Palestinian and other Arab territories.

Items for consideration by the Social Committee

17. Implementation of the Programme of Action for the Second Decade to Combat Racism and Racial Discrimination.

18. Human rights questions.

19. Advancement of women.

20. Social development.

21. Narcotic drugs.

DRAFT DECISION IV

Establishment of the Commission on Sustainable Development

The Economic and Social Council, having considered the report of the Secretary-General 2/ and in accordance with General Assembly resolution 47/191:

2/ E/1993/14.

(a) Decides to establish the Commission on Sustainable Development as a functional commission of the Council with the functions as enumerated in paragraphs 3 to 5 of Assembly resolution 47/191;

(b) Also decides that the Commission shall be composed of 53 members elected from among the States Members of the United Nations and members of the specialized agencies for a term of office of three years according to the following allocation of seats:

(i) Thirteen seats for African States;

(ii) Eleven seats for Asian States;

(iii) Ten seats for Latin American and Caribbean States;

(iv) Six seats for Eastern European States;

(v) Thirteen seats for Western European and other States;

(c) Further decides that elections for the Commission shall be held on 16 February 1993;

(d) Decides that the Commission shall meet annually for a period of two to three weeks and that, as a transitional measure, an organizational session of the Commission shall be held at Headquarters from 24 to 26 February 1993 and that the first substantive session of the Commission shall be held at Headquarters from 14 to 25 June 1993;

(e) Approves the following provisional agenda for the organizational session of the Commission:

1. Election of the Chairman and other members of the bureau.

2. Provisional agenda and organization of work of the first substantive session of the Commission.

3. Outline of a multi-year programme of work for the Commission.

4. Other organizational issues.

DRAFT DECISION V

Consideration of reports of intergovernmental bodies

A. Report of the Trade and Development Board

The Economic and Social Council decides to consider at its substantive session of 1993 the report of the Trade and Development Board on the second part of its thirty-ninth session and to authorize the Secretary-General to

transmit directly to the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session the report of the Board on the first part of its fortieth session.

B. Report of the World Food Council

The Council decides to undertake at its substantive session of 1993 an in-depth review of the report of the World Food Council on the work of its nineteenth session, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 39/217 of 18 December 1984, and to submit recommendations thereon to the Assembly for consideration and action.

C. Reports of the Commission on Human Settlements and the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme

The Council decides that, when reviewing at its substantive session of 1993 the report of the Commission on Human Settlements on its fourteenth session and the report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Environment Programme on its seventeenth session, it will not consider new draft proposals, except for specific recommendations contained in those reports that require action by the Council and proposals on matters relating to the coordination aspects of the work of those bodies.

DRAFT DECISION VI

World Decade for Cultural Development

The Economic and Social Council decides to postpone consideration of the biennial progress report on the World Decade for Cultural Development, requested by the General Assembly in its resolution 41/187 of 8 December 1986, and to combine that report with the global mid-term review of the Decade requested by the Assembly in its resolution 46/157 of 19 December 1991, which would be undertaken by the Council at its substantive session of 1994 and the Assembly at its forty-ninth session.

DRAFT DECISION VII

Basic programme of work of the Economic and Social Council for 1994

The Economic and Social Council takes note of the following list of questions for inclusion in the programme of work for 1994:

A. High-level segment

Technology and industrialization in the development process of the developing countries (Council decision 1990/205)

International cooperation against illicit production, supply, demand, trafficking and distribution of narcotic drugs (Council decision 1990/205)

B. Other segments

Coordination of the activities of the specialized agencies, organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system in the economic, social and related fields (General Assembly resolution 45/264)

Operational activities for development

Report of the Secretary-General on the operational activities for development of the United Nations system (General Assembly resolution 47/199)

Report of the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme on its forty-first session (General Assembly resolution 2029 (XX)) 3/

Technical cooperation activities of the United Nations (General Assembly resolution 2029 (XX)) 4/

United Nations Population Fund (General Assembly resolution 3019 (XXVII)) 5/

Report of the Committee on Food Aid Policies and Programmes (General Assembly resolution 3404 (XXX))

Report of the Executive Board of the United Nations Children's Fund (General Assembly resolution 802 (VIII)) 5/

Coordination questions

(a) Reports of coordination bodies

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its thirty-fourth session (Council resolution 2008 (LX))

3/ Submitted to the General Assembly through the Council.

4/ Will not be considered by the General Assembly in 1994.

5/ Will be considered by the General Assembly in 1994.

Report of the Administrative Committee on Coordination for 1994 (Council resolution 13 (III))

(b) Implementation of the Declaration on the Granting of Independence to Colonial Countries and Peoples by the specialized agencies and the international institutions associated with the United Nations

Report of the Secretary-General on assistance to the Palestinian people (Council resolution 2100 (LXIII)) 3/

Assistance to the oppressed people of South Africa and their national liberation movement provided by the agencies and institutions within the United Nations system (General Assembly resolution 33/183 K)

Programme and related questions

Relevant chapters of the proposed revisions to the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997

Report of the Committee for Programme and Coordination on its thirty-fourth session

Special economic, humanitarian and disaster relief assistance

Oral reports on special programmes of economic and humanitarian assistance

Oral report on assistance to the drought-stricken areas of Djibouti, Ethiopia, Kenya, Somalia, the Sudan and Uganda (Council resolution 1983/46)

International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction

Mid-term review of the implementation of the International Framework of Action for the International Decade for Natural Disaster Reduction (General Assembly resolution 44/236, annex)

Sustainable development

Report of the Commission on Sustainable Development on its second session

Report of the High-level Advisory Board

World Decade for Cultural Development

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the summary elaboration report of the Director-General of the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (General Assembly resolution 46/157 and Council decision 1993/___)

Cartography

Report of the Secretary-General on the Thirteenth United Nations Regional Cartographic Conference for Asia and the Pacific (Council decision 1991/222)

Report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees 6/

Regional cooperation

Report of the Secretary-General on regional cooperation (Council decision 1979/1), including the report of the Secretary-General on a subject relating to interregional cooperation of common interest to all regions (Council resolution 1982/50 and decision 1982/174)

Report of the Secretary-General on phase II of the Transport and Communications Decade for Asia and the Pacific, 1985-1994 (General Assembly resolution 39/227 and Council resolutions 1984/78 and 1991/75)

Summaries of the surveys of economic conditions in the five regions prepared by the regional commissions (Council resolution 1724 (LIII))

Development and international economic cooperation

World Economic Survey 1994

Report of the High-level Advisory Board on the situation of Namibia (General Assembly resolution 46/204) 3/

Report of the Secretary-General on the main research findings of the system on major global economic and social trends, policies and emerging issues (Council resolution 1986/51, sect. VI)

Final version of the World Survey on the Role of Women in Development (General Assembly resolutions 44/77, 44/171, 46/98 and 47/95) 3/

Report of the Secretary-General on an assessment of Council resolution 1992/41 on technical cooperation among developing countries

Implementation of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade

Report of the Secretary-General on the review and appraisal of the International Development Strategy for the Fourth United Nations Development Decade (General Assembly resolution 45/199) 3/

6/ In accordance with Council resolution 1623 (LI) of 30 July 1971, the report of the United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees is transmitted to the General Assembly without debate, unless the Council decides otherwise, at the specific request of one or more of its members or of the High Commissioner, at the time its agenda is adopted.

Trade and development

Report of the Trade and Development Board (General Assembly resolution 1995 (XIX)) 3/

Food and agricultural development

Report of the World Food Council on its twentieth session (General Assembly resolution 3348 (XXIX)) 5/

Note by the Secretary-General transmitting the report of the Director-General of the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations on the progress achieved in the implementation of Council resolution 1992/54 on cooperation in fisheries in Africa

Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States

Report of the Secretary-General on the progress achieved in compliance with the Charter of Economic Rights and Duties of States (General Assembly resolution 44/170) 3/

International cooperation in tax matters

Report of the Secretary-General on the progress of the work of the Ad Hoc Group of Experts on International Cooperation in Tax Matters (Council resolution 1980/13)

Transnational corporations

Report of the Commission on Transnational Corporations on its twentieth session (Council resolution 1913 (LVII)), including the follow-up to the recommendations of the Panel of Eminent Persons on the activities of transnational corporations in South Africa (Council resolution 1986/1)

International Conference on Population and Development

Report of the Secretary-General of the International Conference on Population and Development on the progress made in all aspects of the preparatory activities for the Conference (Council resolution 1991/93)

Development and utilization of new and renewable sources of energy

Report of the Committee on New and Renewable Sources of Energy and on Energy for Development on its first session (Council decision 1992/218)

Development of the energy resources of developing countries

Report of the Secretary-General on the role of the United Nations on ways and means to accelerate the exploration and development of energy resources in developing countries (Council resolution 1992/56)

International cooperation to mitigate the environmental consequences on Kuwait and other countries in the region resulting from the situation between Iraq and Kuwait

Report of the Secretary-General on the implementation of General Assembly resolution 47/151 3/

Public administration and finance

Report of the Secretary-General on the Eleventh Meeting of Experts on the United Nations Programme in Public Administration and Finance (Council decision 1992/287)

Human rights questions

Report of the Human Rights Committee (article 45 of the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights) 3/

Report of the Committee on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights (Council resolutions 1988 (LX) and 1985/17)

Report of the Committee on the Rights of the Child (article 43 of the Convention on the Rights of the Child) 3/

Report of the Commission on Human Rights on its fiftieth session (Council resolutions 5 (I) and 9 (II)) 3/

Documentation for information

Reports submitted by States parties to the Covenant on Economic, Social and Cultural Rights and by the specialized agencies Advancement of women

Report of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women on its thirteenth session (article 21 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women) 3/

Report of the Commission on the Status of Women on its thirty-eighth session (Council resolutions 11 (II) and 1147 (LXI))

Implementation of the Nairobi Forward-looking Strategies for the Advancement of Women (Council resolution 1988/22)

Report of the Board of Trustees of the International Research and Training Institute for the Advancement of Women (Council resolution 1998 (LX))

Social development questions

Crime prevention and criminal justice

Report of the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice on its third session (Council resolution 1992/1)

Question of strengthening international cooperation in combating organized crime (General Assembly resolution 47/87) 3/

Narcotic drugs

Report of the Commission on Narcotic Drugs on its thirty-seventh session (Council resolution 9 (I))

Summary of the report of the International Narcotics Control Board (article 15 of the Single Convention on Narcotic Drugs, 1961, article 18 of the Convention on Psychotropic Substances, 1971 and article 23 of the 1988 United Nations Convention against Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances)

United Nations University

Report of the Council of the United Nations University for 1993 5/

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Reports brought to the attention of the Council

Reports of the Joint Inspection Unit

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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT AND ITS PREPARATORY PROCESS

Draft resolution submitted by the President and members of the Bureau on the basis of informal consultations held pursuant to paragraph 2 (1) of Council resolution 1988/77

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 1989/91 of 26 July 1989, 1991/93 of 26 July 1991 and 1992/37 of 30 July 1992, in which it decided on the convening, mandate and preparatory process of the International Conference on Population and Development,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 47/176, in which, inter alia, the Assembly recognized the importance of ensuring an adequate intergovernmental preparatory process for the Conference, as well as the importance of the participation in the Conference and its preparatory process of all relevant non-governmental organizations from developed and developing countries,

[1. Decides that the second session of the Preparatory Committee for the Conference should be rescheduled to take place from 10 to 21 May 1993 and the third session from 11 to 22 April 1994, both in New York;]

1 bis. Decides to postpone to 1994 the twenty-seventh session of the Population Commission;

2. Adopts the modalities for the participation in and contribution to the Conference and its preparatory process of non-governmental organizations, in particular those from developing countries, as set out in the annex to the present resolution;

[3. Decides also that, in order to support developing countries, in particular the least developed among them, in participating fully and effectively in the Conference and its preparatory process, each least developed country, to the extent that extrabudgetary funds are available, may be provided, from the voluntary fund, with travel expenses and, on an exceptional basis, daily subsistence allowance for one representative attending the second session of the Preparatory Committee;]

[4. Invites the Preparatory Committee at its second session to establish procedures for assistance to developing countries, in particular the least developed among them, to enable them to participate fully and effectively in its subsequent sessions and the Conference itself;]

5. Recognizes the importance of non-governmental participation in the preparatory process and the Conference itself and encourages all support to enable representatives of non-governmental organizations from developing countries to participate fully.

Annex

PARTICIPATION OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS IN THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT AND ITS PREPARATORY PROCESS

[1. Relevant and competent non-governmental organizations should have an important role in the International Conference on Population and Development and its preparatory process.]

[2. The contribution of such non-governmental organizations to previous United Nations population conferences as well as to the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development is fully acknowledged.]

[3. In recognition of the intergovernmental nature of the International Conference on Population and Development, such non-governmental organizations shall have no negotiating role in the work of the Conference on its preparatory process.]

4. The secretariat of the International Conference on Population and Development shall be responsible for receiving and preliminarily evaluating in accordance with the provisions of this resolution, requests from non-governmental organizations for accreditation to the Conference and its preparatory process.

5. Non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council which express their will to attend the Conference and its Preparatory Committee meetings shall be accredited for participation. Others wishing to be accredited may apply to the Conference secretariat for this purpose in accordance with the requirements of this decision.

6. All such applications must be accompanied by information on the organization's competence and relevance to the work of the Preparatory Committee, indicating the particular areas of the Conference preparations relevant to the work of the organization. Such information should include:

(a) The purposes of the organization;

(b) A description of the programmes and activities of the organization in areas relevant to the Conference and its preparatory process and in which country(ies) they are carried out;

(c) Confirmation of its activities at the national and/or international level;

(d) Copies of its annual reports with financial statements, and a list of members of the governing body and their country or nationality;

(e) A description of its membership, indicating the total number of members and their geographical distribution.

[7. To assist the Conference secretariat in its evaluation of the relevance of non-governmental applications for accreditation to the preparatory process, it is agreed that their background and involvement in population issues or population and development will be the basis for establishing their relevance.]

8. Non-governmental organizations seeking accreditation shall be asked to confirm their interest in the goals and objectives of the Conference.

9. In cases where the Conference secretariat believes, on the basis of the information provided in accordance with this resolution, that the organization has established its competence and relevance to the work of the Preparatory Committee, it will recommend to the Preparatory Committee that the organization be accredited. In cases where the Conference secretariat does not recommend the granting of accreditation, it will make available to the Preparatory Committee its reasons for not doing so. The Conference secretariat should ensure that its recommendations are available to members of the Preparatory Committee at least one week prior to the start of each session.

[10. The Preparatory Committee will decide on all proposals for accreditation within twenty-four hours of the Conference secretariat's recommendations having been taken up by the Preparatory Committee in plenary meeting. In the event of a decision not being taken within this period, interim accreditation shall be accorded until such time as a decision is taken.]

11. A non-governmental organization that has been accredited to attend a session of the Preparatory Committee may attend all its future sessions.

12. Relevant non-governmental organizations may, at their own expense, make written presentations during the preparatory process in the official languages of the United Nations as they deem appropriate. Those written presentations

will not be issued as official documents except in accordance with United Nations rules of procedure.

13. Relevant non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council may be given an opportunity to briefly address the Preparatory Committee in plenary meeting and its subsidiary bodies. Other relevant non-governmental organizations may also ask to speak briefly at such meetings. If the number of requests is too large, the Preparatory Committee shall request the non-governmental organizations to form themselves into constituencies, each constituency to speak through one spokesperson. Any oral intervention by a non-governmental organization should, in accordance with normal United Nations practice, be at the discretion of the Chairman and with the consent of the Preparatory Committee.

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INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT AND ITS PREPARATORY PROCESS

Revised draft resolution submitted by the President and members of the Bureau on the basis of informal consultations held pursuant to paragraph 2 (1) of Council resolution 1988/77

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling its resolutions 1989/91 of 26 July 1989, 1991/93 of 26 July 1991 and 1992/37 of 30 July 1992, in which it decided on the convening, mandate and preparatory process of the International Conference on Population and Development,

Recalling also General Assembly resolution 47/176, in which, inter alia, the Assembly recognized the importance of ensuring an adequate intergovernmental preparatory process for the Conference, as well as the importance of the participation in the Conference and its preparatory process of all relevant non-governmental organizations from developed and developing countries,

1. Decides that the second session of the Preparatory Committee for the International Conference on Population and Development should be rescheduled to take place from 10 to 21 May 1993 in New York;

2. Also decides to convene the third session of the Preparatory Committee from 11 to 22 April 1994, within the overall resources in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995 to be approved by the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session, taking fully into account the budget outline approved by the Assembly at its forty-seventh session, and

without prejudice to the utilization of resources available through voluntary contributions to the trust funds, taking fully into account the need to ensure the success of the Conference in fulfilling its mandate and for this purpose to ensure an adequate intergovernmental preparatory process for it;

3. Further decides, within the overall resources in the proposed programme budget for the biennium 1994-1995 to be approved by the General Assembly at its forty-eighth session, taking fully into account the budget outline approved by the Assembly at its forty-seventh session, to postpone until 1994 the twenty-seventh session of the Population Commission and to consider at the Council's substantive session of 1993 the possibility of scheduling it in conjunction with the third session of the Preparatory Committee;

4. Adopts the modalities for the participation in and contribution to the Conference and its preparatory process of non-governmental organizations, as set out in the annex to the present resolution;

5. Decides also that, in order to support developing countries, in particular the least developed among them, in participating fully and effectively in the Conference and its preparatory process, each least developed country, to the extent that extrabudgetary funds are available, may be provided, from the voluntary fund, with travel expenses and, on an exceptional basis, daily subsistence allowance for one representative attending the sessions of the Preparatory Committee and the Conference itself;

6. Recognizes the importance of non-governmental participation in the preparatory process and the Conference itself and encourages all support to enable representatives of non-governmental organizations from developing countries to participate fully.

Annex

PARTICIPATION OF NON-GOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS IN THE INTERNATIONAL CONFERENCE ON POPULATION AND DEVELOPMENT AND ITS PREPARATORY PROCESS

1. Non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council which express their will to attend the Conference and its Preparatory Committee meetings shall be accredited for participation. Others wishing to be accredited may apply to the Conference secretariat for this purpose in accordance with the requirements of the present resolution.

2. The secretariat of the International Conference on Population and Development shall be responsible for the receipt and preliminary evaluation, in accordance with the provisions of this resolution, of requests from non-governmental organizations for accreditation to the Conference and its preparatory process.

3. All such applications must be accompanied by information on the organization's competence and relevance to the work of the Preparatory Committee, indicating the particular areas of the Conference preparations to which such competence and relevance pertain, and which should include, inter alia, the following information:

(a) The purposes of the organization;

(b) Information as to the programmes and activities of the organization in areas relevant to the Conference and its preparatory process and in which country(ies) they are carried out;

(c) Confirmation of its activities at the national and/or international level;

(d) Copies of its annual reports with financial statements, and a list of members of the governing body and their country of nationality;

(e) A description of its membership, indicating the total number of members and their geographical distribution.

4. In the evaluation of the relevance of non-governmental applications for accreditation to the Conference and its preparatory process, it is agreed that their background and involvement in population issues or population and development issues, including those mentioned in paragraph 4 of Council resolution 1991/93, will determine their relevance.

5. Non-governmental organizations seeking accreditation shall be asked to confirm their interest in the goals and objectives of the Conference.

6. In cases where the Conference secretariat believes, on the basis of the information provided in accordance with this resolution, that the organization has established its competence and relevance to the work of the Preparatory Committee, it will recommend to the Preparatory Committee that the organization be accredited. In cases where the Conference secretariat does not recommend the granting of accreditation, it will make available to the Preparatory Committee its reasons for not doing so. The Conference secretariat should ensure that its recommendations are available to members of the Preparatory Committee at least one week prior to the start of each session.

7. The Preparatory Committee will decide on all proposals for accreditation within twenty-four hours of the Conference secretariat's recommendations having been taken up by the Preparatory Committee in plenary meeting. In the event of a decision not being taken within this period, interim accreditation shall be accorded until such time as a decision is taken.

8. A non-governmental organization that has been granted accreditation to attend a session of the Preparatory Committee may attend all its future sessions.

9. In recognition of the intergovernmental nature of the International Conference on Population and Development, non-governmental organizations shall have no negotiating role in the work of the Conference and its preparatory process.

10. Relevant non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Economic and Social Council may be given an opportunity to briefly address the Preparatory Committee in plenary meeting and its subsidiary bodies. Other relevant non-governmental organizations may also ask to speak briefly at such meetings. If the number of requests is too large, the Preparatory Committee shall request the non-governmental organizations to form themselves into constituencies, each constituency to speak through one spokesperson. Any oral intervention by a non-governmental organization should, in accordance with normal United Nations practice, be at the discretion of the Chairman and with the consent of the Preparatory Committee.

11. Relevant non-governmental organizations may, at their own expense, make written presentations during the preparatory process in the official languages of the United Nations as they deem appropriate. Those written presentations will not be issued as official documents except in accordance with United Nations rules of procedure.

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INSTITUTIONAL ARRANGEMENTS TO FOLLOW UP THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON ENVIRONMENT AND DEVELOPMENT

Draft decision submitted by the President and members of the Bureau on the basis of informal consultations held pursuant to paragraph 2 (1) of Council resolution 1988/77

Procedural arrangements for the Commission on Sustainable Development

The Economic and Social Council:

(a) Decides that, with the following supplementary arrangements, the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council 1/ shall apply to the Commission on Sustainable Development:

Participation of and consultation with specialized agencies and participation of other intergovernmental organizations

1. While the participation of and consultation with specialized agencies and the participation of other intergovernmental organizations are governed by rules 71-74 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council, 1/ the Commission on Sustainable Development or a subsidiary organ thereof shall invite relevant intergovernmental organizations within and outside the United Nations system, including multilateral financial institutions, to appoint special representatives to the Commission to serve as focal points for the Commission's members and the Secretariat.

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Representation of and consultation with non-governmental organizations

2. Representation of and consultation with the non-governmental organizations in the Commission would be governed by the following arrangements, which would supplement, solely for the purposes of the Commission on Sustainable Development, rules 75 and 76 of the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Economic and Social Council:

(i) Non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council, category I or II, or relevant and competent non-governmental organizations on the Roster may designate authorized representatives to be present at and observe the meetings of the Commission and its subsidiary organs;

(ii) These non-governmental organizations may, at their own expense, make written presentations to the Commission and its subsidiary organs through the Secretariat in the official languages of the United Nations, as they deem appropriate. Those written presentations will not be issued as official documents;

(iii) These non-governmental organizations may be given an oppportunity to briefly address the meetings of the Commission and its subsidiary organs. Taking into account the number of non-governmental organizations expressing a desire to be accorded that opportunity, the Chairman of the Commission or its subsidiary organ may request the non-governmental organizations concerned to address the meetings through one or more spokespersons. Any oral intervention by a representative of a non-governmental organization shall be made at the discretion of the Chairman of the Commission or its subsidiary organ and with the consent of the members of the Commission or its subsidiary organ, as the case may be;

(iv) Non-governmental organizations shall not have any negotiating role in the work of the Commission and its subsidiary organs;

(v) The Commission may consult with and/or hear, as appropriate, non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council, category I or II, or relevant and competent non-governmental organizations on the Roster either directly or through a committee or committees established for that purpose;

(vi) The relevance and competence of non-governmental organizations to be included in the Roster shall be determined by the Council on the recommendation of the Secretary-General;

(b) Requests the Commission to encourage equitable representation of non-governmental organizations from the developed and developing countries and from all regions, and also to strive to ensure a fair balance between non-governmental organizations with an environment focus and those with a development focus;

(c) Decides that any non-governmental organization which was accredited to participate in the work of the Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development by the conclusion of its fourth session can apply for and shall be granted Roster status, subject to approval by the Council and bearing in mind the provisions of Article 71 of the Charter of the United Nations;

(d) Invites non-governmental organizations, with a view to enhancing their effective and coordinated contribution to the work of the Commission and to the follow-up of the United Nations Conference on Environment and Development in general, to consider or continue organizing themselves in various constituencies and interest groups and to set up non-governmental networks, including electronic networks, for the exchange of relevant information and documentation;

(e) Decides further, in the light of paragraph 2 above and its decision [number of the decision to be adopted on the basis of draft decision IV contained in document E/1993/L.9], to make the following changes to the rules of procedure of the functional commissions of the Council: 1/

(i) In footnote 1, add the Commission on Sustainable Development to the enumeration of functional commissions of the Council;

(ii) In footnote 4, add a reference to the Commission on Sustainable Development;

(iii) Add a footnote to rules 75 and 76 reading:

"The terms of representation of and consultations with the non-governmental organizations in the Commission on Sustainable Development have been further determined by the Economic and Social Council in its decision [number of the present decision]."

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1. Decides that the high-level segment of the Economic and Social Council of 1993 shall be devoted to the consideration of the major theme entitled: "World Summit for Social Development, including the role of the United Nations system in promoting social development";

2. Invites the Secretary-General, in preparing the report for the high-level segment, to pay attention to ways of attaining these objectives and to examine the core issues - namely, the enhancement of social integration, the alleviation and reduction of poverty, and the expansion of productive employment - as set out in General Assembly resolution 47/92 of 16 December 1992, and the role of the United Nations system in these matters;

3. Also invites the appropriate organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations system, including the specialized agencies, to contribute to the preparation of the report within their areas of competence;

4. Decides that, without prejudice to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 45/264 of 13 May 1991, the high-level segment with ministerial participation shall be held from 28 to 30 June 1993.

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Coordination segment of the Economic and Social Council of 1993

The Economic and Social Council decides:

(a) That the coordination segment shall be devoted to the consideration of the following themes:

(i) Coordination of humanitarian assistance: emergency relief and the continuum to rehabilitation and development;

(ii) Coordination of the activities of the United Nations system in the fields of preventative action and intensification of the struggle against malaria and diarrhoeal diseases, in particular cholera;

(b) That the coordination segment will reach agreed conclusions containing specific recommendations on matters related to coordination addressed to the various parts of the United Nations system, for implementation in accordance with General Assembly resolution 45/264 of 13 May 1991. The Secretary-General is requested to apprise the Economic and Social Council at its substantive session of 1994 of the steps taken by the United Nations system to give effect to those recommendations.

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